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Dear Parents and Guardians of Senior School and Sixth Form students

You may be aware that students on the island have been invited, by other students, to attend a 'Youth Action 4 Climate Changes GSY' to complement the 'School Strike 4 Climate' event which took place in the UK before February half-term.

The event is scheduled for 12:45 on Friday 15 March 2019, with the media, Deputies and Police being present. The event is planned to be collaborative and democratic, and an opportunity for young people in Guernsey to offer their suggestions on how to further the goal of making Guernsey carbon neutral by the year 2030.

Our Sixth Form students already have the facility to sign out, should they choose to participate. If your daughter is in Remove to Upper Five and you would like to request leave of absence for them to attend, please make a request for her absence and agree with her how she will get to and from the event safely. Please forward any requests for absence by return to <a href="mailto:reception@ladiescollege.ac.gg">reception@ladiescollege.ac.gg</a>. Any student who leaves College should sign out at Reception on leaving, and back in on their return.

Clearly we do not want to prevent any student from attending this lunchtime activity. We believe that actions speak louder than words and it is with this in mind that we have agreed the following arrangements for Friday 15 March 2019, with student support.

- The day will be a voluntary mobile phone free day, to save on energy use and to be clear that we will all need to make some sacrifices if we are to burn fewer fossil fuels.
- The Core will not issue receipts for food, reducing our use of paper for at least one day.
- Where possible students and colleagues are asked to walk to and from school, to share cars or to use public transport so reducing pollution into our atmosphere.
- The Core will serve vegetarian food and fish to Senior School students, reducing pressures on farming and our demand for daily meat products on that day.
- Each of us is asked to avoid using single use plastic and to be energy conscious—turning off lights and equipment when not in use, considering wearing additional layers of clothing as opposed to turning up heating.

We are fortunate to have a core of students at The Ladies' College who are actively seeking to limit our environmental impact and we are, as a community, committed to developing greater sustainability in our 'reduce, reuse, recycle' approach. I am grateful to the Environmental Action Team in their ideas for action on 15 March 2019.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely

Ashley Clancy

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